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1. DEPARTMENT PREVIOUSLY, BY REF B, RAISED SEVERAL QUESTIONS REGARDING THE EC COMMUNITY CLAUSE. WE ARE NOT

PR:SSING FOR A RESPONSE IN ANY PARTICULAR TIMEFRAME BUT WE WOULD NOTE THAT WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED A RESPONSE TO THE MANY QUESTIONS WE HAVE RAISED. CLEARLY, SOME OF THE QUESTIONS POSED CONCERN DIFFICULT POLITICAL QUESTIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY, E.G., WHETHER ALL STATES MUST SIGN OR RATIFY BEFORE THE EC COULD BE VIEWED AS A SIGNATORY OR PARTY.

2. MISSION MAY INDICATE TO COMMISSION THAT US VIEWS SYMPATHETICALLY THE PRINCIPLE OF A COMMUNITY CLAUSE AND REFER TO THE FACT WE HAD PREVIOUSLY ASKED CERTAIN QUESTIONS. IT MAY ALSO INDICATE THAT WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE COMMISSION AND MEMBER STATES HAVE MET TO DISCUSS A MODIFICATION OF THE CLAUSE WHICH WAS CONTAINED IN DOCUMENT A/CONF.62-54 BUT THAT WE HAVE NOT HEARD WHAT HAS RESULTED FROM THE CONSIDERATION OF A MODIFIED CLAUSE. DEPARTMENT WOULD ALSO BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHY EC IS PRESSING FOR US AGREEMENT AT THIS TIME AS WE DOUBT THAT FINAL CLAUSES WILL BE NEGOTIATED AT THIS SESSION. VANCE

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